IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

In re:) Chapter 7
JTR1, LLC, f/d/b/a JTR, LLC,) Case No. 20-30141
Debtor.)))
A. Burton Shuford, Trustee of the Bankruptcy Estate of JTR1, LLC, f/d/b/a JTR, LLC,))))
Plaintiff,)
v.) Adv. Proc. No. 22-03018
BJS Insurance, LLC, and JJM, LLC,)))
Defendants.	

REPLY TO (A) TRUSTEE'S RESPONSE AND OBJECTION TO JOINDER TO MOTIONS TO DISMISS AND (B) BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO JOINDER TO MOTIONS TO DISMISS

Defendants BJS Insurance, LLC and JJM, LLC (together, the "<u>Defendants</u>"), by and through undersigned counsel, hereby submit this reply (the "<u>Reply</u>") to the Response and Objection to Joinder to Motions to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 10) and the Brief in Opposition to Joinder to Motions to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 11) filed by Plaintiff A. Burton Shuford, Trustee for the chapter 7 bankruptcy estate of JTR1, LLC.

In support of this Reply, Defendants hereby join and incorporate by reference the Reply Brief to the Trustee's Brief in Opposition to Motion to Dismiss Complaint (the "Kearns/Mullady Reply Brief"), filed by the defendants in the following adversary proceedings: *Shuford v. Kearns*, Adv. Pro. No. 22-03004, at Dkt. No. 14, and *Shuford v. Mullady*, Adv. Pro. No. 22-03008, at Dkt.

No. 14. For the reasons discussed in the Kearns/Mullady Reply Brief and Defendants' Joinder to Motions Dismiss (Dkt. No. 8), Defendants request that the Court dismiss with prejudice Counts I, II and III (and Count VI, with respect to Counts I, II and III) of the Complaint filed in the abovecaptioned adversary proceeding.

This is the 25th day of May, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing REPLY TO (A) TRUSTEE'S RESPONSE AND OBJECTION TO JOINDER TO MOTIONS TO DISMISS AND (B) BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO JOINDER TO MOTIONS TO DISMISS was filed electronically in accordance with the local rules and was therefore served electronically on those entities that have properly registered for electronic service.

Dated: May 25, 2022

/s/ Margaret R. Westbrook

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